



[James R. White](#)

[Yesterday at 6:46pm](#) · [Phoenix, AZ](#)

OK, I do not want to break the Pub again, but I just had to note something.

Someone in the frenzy below linked to a KJV Only article attempting to defend the indefensible. I identified it as a "classic" example of KJVOism in that it presents this long, convoluted argument to attempt to find a way to substantiate the KJV rendering at Rev. 15:3. You will find such articles on EVERY disputed text in the KJV, and, if you compare them, you will find that they will use standard X in one, and standard Y in another, and standard NOT-X in the next. It doesn't matter. The goal is the same: defend the KJV at all costs, consistency is irrelevant!

The article pointed to a few Latin manuscripts of patristic writings as the ONLY basis for the KJV rendering (only in the sense of manuscript evidence). OK, so---Latin early church fathers are now a sufficient basis for determining a reading, right? OK, so, let's look at Ephesians 3:9: here, the reading "fellowship" in the KJV stands against 99.5% of the entire Greek manuscript tradition (which has "administration") AND the Latin patristic sources! So---wait, Latin patristic sources are enough to determine the reading at Revelation 15:3, why not here? BECAUSE THAT WOULD CHANGE THE KJV! So, change the standard! Voila! That's easy, yes?

I keep saying, this stuff *ends* meaningful apologetic interaction with the world, and, obviously, it does.

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[J Patrick Clair](#) Dr. [White](#), how does someone who wants to make sure his brothers and sisters in Christ maintain the confidence they have in their Bible do so, when so much of this type of discussion goes on? On a layman's practical level.

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[Clark Dickson](#) Gives me something to grow up into.

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[J Patrick Clair](#) [Clark](#) I'm sorry I don't understand your reply.

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[Clark Dickson](#) Sorry did not mean to post that. Computer is acting up.

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[Rob Laughter](#) Better to hear that there are answers to these questions than to hear it from the likes of Bart Ehrman, who just deny the accuracy of scripture outright.

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[Paul Trost](#) The ESV, NASB, NIV, and others have all been through multiple revisions where they flip flop on verses, using readings from the CT one time, the MT another, for the same verse. There is no settled text. In the 1984 NIV for instance, Jesus had compassion on the leper, and in the 2011 NIV, it says he was indignant with him. Well, which is it? Those are two very different words. How do you have confidence in Bibles that change readings? The Chicago statement on inerrancy means nothing. To say that the Bible is inspired and infallible only in the autographa does nothing for you to be able to hold up a particular Bible version and believe it to be the word of the Lord without error.

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[J Patrick Clair](#) [Paul Trost](#) I hope this is leading to a TR position?

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[Maggie Conley](#) When I came back to church after 5 years, deciding it was time to get answers, I

stumbled by God's providence into a Schofield-KJVonly Legalistic Women only wear skirts Baptist Church.

I didn't even know what an NIV was, but I went out and bought a Thompson-Chain Reference (I'm a rebel). And about a year later or less was gone and in a new church that practically had to have a recovery program for people around there.

Guess who spoke at our church a couple times a year: Kent Hovind.

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[Maggie Conley](#) I believe your confidence in your Bible comes from your confidence in your God. Surely you don't read it without prayer?

Surely your trust is in His ability to preserve and not man.

No man ever lives higher than his view of God.

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[J Patrick Clair](#) [Maggie Conley](#) KJVO is lunacy.

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[Maggie Conley](#) Yeah I agree. Hope I didn't lead you to believe I thought otherwise. I use an ESV primarily. For study I use several English texts in conjunction with my Greek text. I do not know Hebrew.

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[J Patrick Clair](#) No. I knew what you were talking about. I hope you don't think embracing a position of preservation in the Textus Receptus is the same as KJVO.

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[Daniel A. Stippinger](#) Which TR though? Aren't there multiple versions?

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[Ryan McKibbin](#) [Paul Trost](#), you are trading truth for certainty. The reason those versions change

is out of integrity not flippancy. The reason the TR never changes is out of an indefensible vague sense of a cemented text. The textual variants don't disprove the sc...[See More](#)

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[J Patrick Clair](#) [Daniel A. Stippinger](#) all of them. The received text position is nothing more than a Traditional Critical Ecclesiastical Text position. When you refer to the critical text, which one are you referring to? I assume all of them as well.

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[Jordan Cooper](#) Again, this is why the MT position is a lot more consistent with textual preservation, without assuming that there is one perfect manuscript.

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[James R. White](#) Which MT text, btw? Modern? The MT text of 1000AD? 500AD? They are all quite different, which, to me, is the true Achilles heel of the theory.

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[Jordan Cooper](#) My preferred text is the Pierpont/Robinson MT. With the MT position, there is still room for textual criticism to an extent, though with different presuppositions than the CT position. Even while there is room for debate, there is not that much variation between the Farstad/Hodges and Pierpont/Robinson text for example.

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[James R. White](#) Sure---how do you respond to the fact that the MT 1000 years ago is different than the MT today?

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[James R. White](#) Oh, and would you agree, Jordan, that if you apply the same hermeneutical rules to the PR MT as you do the NA28 you will come to the same theological conclusions/determinations?

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[Jordan Cooper](#) I can't tell you exactly what an eleventh century majority text would be, but manuscripts from that century certainly favor the Byzantine tradition, and would be much more similar to the PR MT than NA28.

Regarding your second question, yes, I would agree.

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[Robert Truelove](#) Well, except if you go NA28 and think the Pericope Adulterae thru...that the church had incorrectly accepted an uninspired narrative and used it for over a millennia believing they had before them the Word of God when it was bogus...that's got implications for one's doctrine of Scripture, whether one consistently follows those implications thru or not is another question.

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[Jordan Cooper](#) Yes, I do think that's problematic from a theological perspective, as well as with the ending of Mark. These are reasons why I'm a MT proponent.

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[Daniel A. Stippinger](#) So, real historical evidence is secondary to a presupposed theological conviction about certain passages. There's no need to argue about evidence at all then.

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[Manuel Kuhs](#) [Daniel A. Stippinger](#) no we use presuppositions to analyse and evaluate evidence.

Everyone does.

Even people who claim they don't have presuppositions.

Warfield's and many other Evangelical's presupposition for textual criticism, following Westcott and Hort, is that the Bible was preserved over time just like other ancient documents and therefore its text must be determined in the same way.

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[Anthony Caputi](#) What about revelation 16:5 and 11"17 where Beza added the phrase "are to come" to the text? That dividing line episode you did deconverted me from the kjv only position

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[Clark Sarge](#) I really don't understand the blind passionate adherence to the KJV and TR at all costs. Our faith does not rise and fall on the KJV. It was a good translation for its time, but its time has gone. I mean, why don't we all just learn Latin and carry the Vulgate around with us if we want to go the nonsensical conclusion?

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[Maggie Conley](#) Vulgate is fraught with error

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[Riley Fraas](#) KJVO is a rare and childish breed. I'm more interested in the arguments pro and con the Eclectic Text, Textus Receptus, etc.

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[Anthony Caputi](#) 90% are rabid anti Calvinists too

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[Josh Sommer](#) I tend to agree with [Cooper](#) on this one. I find MT to be rather persuasive. This is interesting stuff, I just hope Pubsters a don't start axing each other over it.

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[Anthony Caputi](#) I'm not taking sides but Beza did add a phrase in revelation

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[Josh Sommer](#) [Anthony Caputi](#), I do not know much about what Beza did or did not do concerning the TR, but I do not think that would harm anything concerning majority text theory. smile emoticon

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[Dave Thewave](#) I find these discussions a bit over my head. Am I the only one?

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[Josh Sommer](#) Brother, this is a deep subject. It is complicated for everyone. Haha

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[Wendy Muilenburg](#) Yep, I'd like to know what TR and MT are?

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[Samuel Josiah Stricker](#) Wendy:

TR = Textus Receptus

MT = Majority Text

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[Francisco Quijada](#) King James Controversy is a great intro...

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[Adam Oneal Kyle](#) Dr. White do you know who Will Kinney is? He is a very avid KJVO an post about it daily. I've had some dialogue with him but I would love to see you debate him.

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[Tony Lee Ross Jr.](#) He's had him on the dividing line.

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[Adam Oneal Kyle](#) Oh I didn't know that. I'd love to hear that. Do you have a link?

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[Jordan Cooper](#) I'd much rather see him discuss these issues with the more serious ET proponents instead of KJVO advocates.

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[Josh Sommer](#) What Jordan said. I think a formal debate between himself and someone like Robert Truelove would be fruitful.

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[Viernon MacaNeal](#) I believe last year Dr. White said he would debate Pastor Robert over TC when it came to debating Muslims.

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[Viernon MacaNeal](#) https://youtu.be/_fN0Ohe58EQ



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[Beau Sutton](#) I attend Pastor Trueloves church, I agree with him that a discussion/debate between Dr. White and Dr. RObinson would be much more productive.

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[Jon Shantry](#) Do any of these issues change the gospel?

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[Christian Herring](#) Nice juke. You missed the Bible study though so I'm afraid your argument is invalid.

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[Jon Shantry](#) I'm such a failure. 😞

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[Christian Herring](#) #gitrekt

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[Ron Calvin](#) No

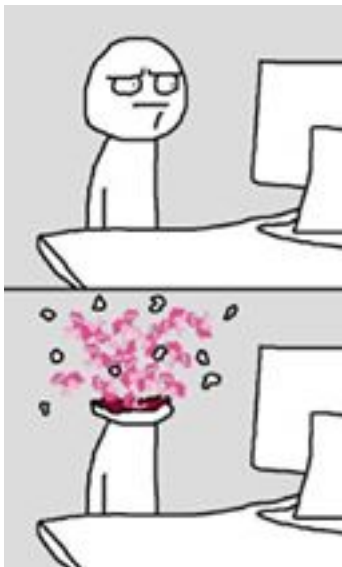
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[Lulu Ceballos](#) Me trying to understand what's going on



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[Michael Venditto](#) That's where I was several years ago when I started listening to Dr. White and

also Ravi Zacharias.

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[Ed Wilcox](#) I'm like... I wish you guys would hurry up and make up my mind.

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[Lulu Ceballos](#) Lol!!

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[Wendy Dibble-Lohr](#) Exactly Ed!

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[Jordan Stevens](#) All this seems to fly right over my head way too often

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[Francisco Quijada](#) You've read King James Controversy? Great intro...

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[Kevin Gibson](#) Years ago I had a Baptist pastor tell me that the KJV was the only translation of the Bible that was "Authorized" by God. I asked him what were Christians in France or Spain supposed to read. He gave me a long stare and said he didn't know.

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[Thomas Hill](#)



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[Van Robert Bryant](#) I was raised Onlyist in a Missionary Baptist church. I will testify that these sort of traditions tend to feed into a general ignorance and superstition that I firmly believe takes away from the Gospel.

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[Christian Herring](#) Nobody in here is a cultic KJVO

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[Jason William Hinrichs](#) Incorrect. I met a few of them today. It was sad.

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[Christian Herring](#) Oh really? Wow.

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[Bryan Peters](#) Whoa. Where are they?

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[Jason William Hinrichs](#) They were in the other thread Dr. White posted today. They got cray and an admin hit that delete button.

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[Jason William Hinrichs](#) I only saw one or two before they were nixed.

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[Micah Nix](#) I want to nix somebody one day just for the irony.

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[Will Bassett](#) I don't agree. We have many in 'disguise', that's been plain and simple for a long time.

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[Christian Herring](#) Where dey at doe

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[Kendall Cruse](#) Yeah seriously. Where dey be hidin'

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[Drew Koehler](#) I was a KJVO when I became a Christian because I didn't know any better and my pastor was adamant about it. Being that we parted ways with that church for other reasons it didn't take long for me to renounce my fanaticism.

My point being that it may be a loud minority who adamantly defends this cultic nonsense vehemently, but the uninformed majority had no solid ground to stand on on their own.

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[Christian Herring](#) Yo.... Dude I didn't know you were in here.

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[Drew Koehler](#) [Christian Herring](#) surprise!!

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[Christian Herring](#) How long you been around? Did you know there's a Reformed Gamers group?

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[Drew Koehler](#) [Christian Herring](#) I didn't but I can't be in any more groups I'm too busy

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[Drew Koehler](#) lol

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[Christian Herring](#) Haha cool. I'll see you around. This is a great group.

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[Drew Koehler](#) I know!

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To all my KJV only friends! *tongue emoticon*

http://youtu.be/hwe_nxeVwE0?t=55m41s

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[Janet Douglas Clancy](#) "Defend the KJV at all costs, consistency is irrelevant!"
Battle cry of the KJVO camp.

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[Wendy Dibble-Lohr](#) I am very grateful that my parents didn't push KJVo when I was growing up. The churches we went to were, overall KJV, but we always had other translations around. I like the language of the KJV, as my husband says, "King James' boys had style." but I can read a passage, then go to the ESV or whatever and compare, I'm not hung up on KJVo.

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[Chris Greaves](#) I have a King James Aversion in my study.

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